-- Description of the Related Art --.

Page 2, after line 20, please insert:

--SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION--.

Page 2, line 22, please delete "STATEMENT OF THE INVENTION".

Page 4, line 29, please insert after "FIGURES" -- OF THE DRAWING--.

Page 5, line 18, please insert after "OF", first instance, -- THE PREFERRED--.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please replace Claims 1-19 as follows:

- 1. (Amended) A process for the detection of hydrocarbons other than methane in a gas predominantly comprising oxygen, methane and said hydrocarbons other than methane, the process comprising:
- a stage of detection of the combined hydrocarbons in said gas, providing a first value for the combined hydrocarbons,
 - a stage of combustion of the hydrocarbons other than methane,
- a stage of detection of methane in said gas, providing a second value,
- a stage of calculation of the amount of hydrocarbons other than methane by the difference between the first value and the second value.